



## RePORT International Newsletter

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### NEW MEETING FORMAT: RePORT INVESTIGATORS MEETING

The monthly Executive Committee Meeting, now called the **RePORT Investigators Meeting**, and will be the 2nd Wednesday of each month during the same time slot as the Executive Committee Meetings were held. The **RePORT Investigators Meeting** is open to anyone affiliated with RePORT. The Executive Committee will continue to be engaged virtually for voting and feedback.

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### HIGHLIGHTING TB-RICC IN 2024!

This past year has been an exciting time for RePORT International and TB-RICC! Our readership has grown by **80 percent** in 2024, and we are honored to have you join us for this journey.

Please check out this special *December* edition of our newsletter that showcases a collection of the monthly articles from 2024, contributed by Daphne Martin, Rajita Bhavaraju, and many of our esteemed partners. We look forward to sharing more with you next year!

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# January

## **An Interview with Sudha Srinivasan: The Origin of RePORT**

In this summary of a conversation with Dr. Sudha Srinivasan, former Program Officer at the TB Clinical Research Branch at the Division of AIDS at the National Institutes of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) at the National Institutes of Health, Dr. Srinivasan breaks down how and why the RePORT Consortium was started. In her role, Dr. Srinivasan was the Project Officer for RePORT International and played a key role in managing and the evolution of RePORT International.

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# February

## **Featuring RePORT Uganda: An Interview with Moses Joloba**

In this interview with Ms. Daphne Martin, TB-RICC Program Manager, Dr. Moses Joloba, a renowned scientist in Uganda's medical and research community and a RePORT International Principal Investigator, shared insights into his remarkable journey in the field of tuberculosis research.

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# March

## **Reflections on World TB Day: Voices from the Global Fight Against TB**

In observance of the annual March 24 World TB Day, we asked members of our network to reflect on where we are in the fight against TB and to share their thoughts on the role of RePORT International in TB prevention and care worldwide and in the fight to end tuberculosis.

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# April

## **Featuring RePORT India: Fostering Collaborative Research and Innovation in TB**

Held from April 2-5, the 13th RePORT India Annual Meeting at the National Institute of Immunology (NII) in New Delhi was highlighted in this article. Delegates from the 13th RePORT India Annual Meeting Organized under the auspices of the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India, and the NIAID.

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# May

## Featuring RePORT South Africa: Where Innovation Emanates

RePORT South Africa III is a collaborative research network, comprised of 14 research groups from seven South African and four US institutions, spearheading innovative research in the field of tuberculosis biomarkers. Led by eight clinical research sites and five analytical laboratories, the network's structure is robust, with each institution playing a significant role in contributing to a wealth of TB biomarker knowledge and expertise.

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# June

## Featuring TB RICC Biomarkers Trainees

Four junior RePORT investigators showcased their training opportunity by the global RePORT Consortium, its cutting-edge work, and the enthusiasm of more experienced investigators to provide mentorship. They were able to visit RePORT networks sites and learn new lab techniques and we asked how the trainees heard about the training and what appealed to them about it.

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# July

## Featuring RePORT Philippines: Applying Science to TB Prevention and Care

RePORT Philippines is a collaborative effort that was initiated by the Philippine Council for Health Research and Development (PCHRD) of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) with the NIAID and the NIH (National Institute of Health). This article highlights how the aim of establishing the consortium was to

# August

## Featuring our NIH Partnership

The NIAID under the US-based NIH is showcased in this article because it has had a long history of funding tuberculosis research globally. It is the main funder of RePORT International with a close relationship for collaborative thinking to solve the issues around TB transmission, progression, and detection. The NIAID team graciously answered our

serve as foundation for national and international collaborations to facilitate communication in the collection, dissemination, and sharing of information and knowledge on TB.

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questions about goals, scope, and challenges for research.

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# September

## Featuring our Partnership with CRDF Global

In September we wished to share more about CRDF's history, the people who make it a successful and efficient, and to showcase how CRDF Global has been part of RePORT International's research management processes for many years. CRDF Global is an independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to building a safer, healthier, and more secure world through science, innovation, and collaboration.

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# October

## Featuring RePORT Korea

One set of an October double-feature, we highlight RePORT Korea as an affiliate of the National Institute of Infectious Disease (NIID) of the Korean National Institute of Health (NIH), Korea Disease Control and Agency (KDCA). These agencies conduct tuberculosis research and provide funding for research project to TB researchers and institutes in Korea.

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# October

## Featuring our Partnership with Johns Hopkins University

The other half of October, we shared that Johns Hopkins University has been a partner in RePORT International's efforts since the

# November

## Featuring RePORT Indonesia

In our final article of the year, we feature RePORT Indonesia as it aims to provide evidence-based recommendations for the national tuberculosis programs. RePORT

network's inception in 2014. This article showed that it served as a foundational member of both RICC and of RePORT India, one of RICC's first and most robust country-level research efforts.

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Indonesia actively participates in the RePORT International Protocols for Epidemiology of TB Progression and Outcomes and Treatment Response Biomarkers.

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## RESOURCES

### **RICC Post-Doctoral Fellowship**

**Deadline: Jan. 31, 2025**

The RICC Fellowship is now open to early-stage investigators in RePORT International. The deadline to apply is 31 January 2025. For more information, visit our website.

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### **RADAR – RePORT International Data and Specimen Availability Dashboard**

Frontier Science, together with the RePORT International Coordinating Center (RICC), is pleased to introduce RADAR – RePORT International Data and Specimen Availability Dashboard.

Investigators from both within RePORT and the broader scientific community can leverage RADAR to generate summaries of participant demographics, treatment and exposure outcomes, and available specimens within the RePORT International consortium's repository. This dynamic and interactive data visualization tool showcases the richness of data across participating countries, enabling investigators to perform feasibility assessments for potential concept proposals. By aggregating data from the consortium, RADAR highlights a dataset of nearly 375,000 total specimens derived from 3,438 unique participants with active TB and 4,346 unique participants in close contact with active TB patients. As new data is added to the RADAR dashboard, these numbers will continue to change and grow when new participants are enrolled, additional specimens are collected, and assay results are obtained.

RADAR not only provides a real-time snapshot of RePORT's available data but also serves as a gateway to foster collaboration by enabling investigators to explore the dashboard and request data. With its focus on data sharing, RADAR promotes transparency, engages users, and strengthens their understanding on how RePORT's consortium data can support impactful research proposals. RADAR is a result of extensive collaborations among multiple working groups and individuals, including RICC, the Data Harmonization Working Group, RePORT leadership, clinical sites, country data center teams, and biorepository teams. Its launch in the public domain marks a significant milestone for RePORT's data sharing initiatives which facilitates enhanced data sharing and promotes data reuse.

Final testing and validation of the RADAR counts is ongoing. RADAR will be live in the coming weeks and accessible from [our website](#). Check back for an update on our website or in next month's newsletter for details on how to access RADAR.

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Home Dashboard

# RADAR

RePORT International Data and Specimen Availability Dashboard

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Learn more about participating countries and the data that we collect on our main website.  
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**RADAR Dashboard**  
See summaries of participant demographics, treatment and exposure outcomes, and specimens we may have using our interactive dashboard.  
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**374,162**  
Total Specimens

**3,438**  
Unique Participants with Active TB

**4,346**  
Unique Participants in Close Contact with Active TB Patients

## Virtual Learning Platform

Frontier Science and the RePORT International Coordinating Center have launched the RePORT International Virtual Learning Platform (VLP).

The VLP is a space to gather and share a variety of resources relevant to the RePORT International project. With links to recent RePORT network meeting materials such as lectures and presentations, the VLP offers an opportunity to review and catch up on the latest RePORT International gatherings. The VLP also offers a number of valuable resources for clinical and lab staff participating in RePORT, including FreezerPro tutorial videos, links to recommended open source grading and analytics tools, and access to a variety of research study templates. If you are interested in trainings the VLP has many opportunities available, including webinars, access to e-learning and self-paced trainings, and registration links for various recommended training programs. For even more resources to explore, including funding and membership opportunities, visit our website to see what we have available.

The RePORT Virtual Learning Platform is accessible from the [www.RePORTInternational.org](http://www.RePORTInternational.org) Resources Menu. If you wish to add any resources, please [email us](#).

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**SAVE THE DATE: SEPTEMBER 17-19, 2025**

**RePORT International Annual Meeting 2025**  
**September 17-19, 2025**

**Save the date** and join us in **Washington DC!** We will be sharing registration details in the coming weeks.

While TBRICC cannot cover travel expenses to the United States, we can provide support with:

- Visa invitation letters
- Hotel arrangements
- Accommodation assistance

We're so excited for your participation! See you there!



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